In the Specification:

At page 1, after the title add:

--- CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application is a Continuation-in-Part of co-pending U.S. Application No. 08/739,308, filed October 29, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 5,874,064, which is a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Application No. 08/655,570, filed May 24, 1996. This application is a Continuation-in-Part of co-pending U.S. Application No. 09/194,068, filed May 23, 1997, which is a national stage application of PCT/US97/08895 filed May 23, 1997, which is a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Application Nos. 08/655,570, filed May 24, 1996 and 08/739,308, filed October 29, 1996. This application is also a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Application No. 08/784,421, filed January 16, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 5,855,913, and claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/059,004, filed September 15, 1997. This application is also a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Application No. 08/655,570 filed May 24, 1996. All of the above identified applications are incorporated herein by reference.—

In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 4, 6 and 24.

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) Particles for drug delivery to the pulmonary system consisting of a therapeutic, prophylactic or diagnostic agent and a material selected from the group consisting of surfactant and a molecule having a charge opposite to the charge of [the therapeutic] said agent and forming a complex thereto, and combinations thereof, wherein the particles have a tap density less than 0.4 g/cm², [and] a mean diameter between 5 µm and 30 µm [effective to yield] and an aerodynamic diameter of [the particles of] between approximately one to five microns.